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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 40.31, Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final rejection of claims 17, 20, 21, 23, 25-29, 34, 35 and 39 of the above-identified application, as set forth in the Office Action mailed February 23, 2005. In the Office Action, claims 30, 31, 33, 36 and 37 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 22 is allowable.

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Also enclosed is a Petition for two-month extension of time to respond to the final rejection, thereby extending said period of response from May 23, 2005 to July 23, 2005.

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